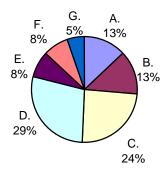
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1. Due to the national recession, Indiana, like other states, is facing a substantial deficit. In preparing a new two-year state budget, difficult decisions affecting current appropriations will have to be made. Select two of the following categories that you feel should be protected from further cuts:



Percent Answer

13% A. Public Safety

13% B. Economic Development

24% **C.** Education K-12

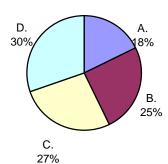
29% **D.** Health; Family Services; Veterans Affairs

8% E. Conservation/ Environment

8% **F.** Transportation/Infrastructure

5% G. Higher Education

2. In your opinion, where should Indiana focus its efforts to attract and expand industry? Select one of the following:



Percent Answer

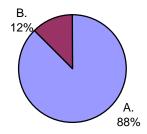
18% A. Business Assistance (grants, loans, etc.)

25% B. Workforce Training

27% C. Tax Incentives

30% **D.** Infrastructure Improvements (roads, sewers, telecommunications)

3. Currently the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (IURC) has no authority to levy fines against utilities which provide sub-standard service. Should the IURC be granted such authority by the General Assembly?

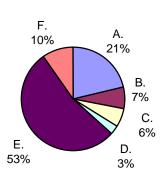


Percent Answer

88% **A.** Support

12% **B.** Oppose

4. Which of the following alternative sentences or community corrections options for non-violent offenders would you support expanding:

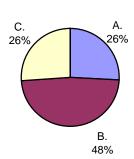


Percent Answer

- 21% A. Supervised work release.
 - 7% **B.** Home detention with electronic monitoring or daily check-ins.
- 6% **C.** Drug court programs emphasizing substance abuse treatment.
- 3% **D.** School-release program for juvenile offenders.
- 53% **E.** All of the above.

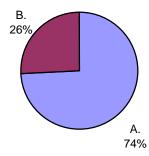
Answer

- 10% **F.** None of the above.
- **5.** Which one of the following areas should Indiana concentrate its resources to retain teachers?



Percent

- 26% A. New teacher mentoring programs.
- 48% **B.** Forgiving a percentage of student loans if a teacher serves in Indiana for at least five years.
- 26% **C.** Supplement the funding of earning a master's degree or national board certification.
- 6. Should Indiana expand state oversight of predatory lending practices?



<u>Percent</u>

Answer

74% **A.** Support

26% B. Oppose